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## **Ode to my Selfishness**

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You are my oldest friend  
Every memory has a place for you  
Your voice always in my head  
Reminding me to take care of myself  
Like the theme song from Fresh Prince  
I can trust you to always put me first

The angrier I get the louder your reassurance  
Scrutinizing every decision I make  
Like an old-world parent  
Breathing down my neck  
My worst actions trace back to you like  
Questioning every sacrifice or act of service  
Justifying anything that feels good  
Pressuring me incessantly

I hate that you love me